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On 9 October 1954, Heinz Mueller, the previous chief of this administration was transferred to Frankfurt/Oder as "plenipotentiary" for engines. In this capacity, he is said to be directly responsible to the President of RBD Berlin. Wieser, previously Mueller's deputy at the Main Administration for Engines, is still acting chief of this administration. 1
- b. Ministry of Railroads. Main Administration for Freight Traffic:
Gerhard Stern, the previous chief of this main administration, asked to be relieved of this assignment. 2
- c. Ministry of Railroads. Main Administration for Lines:
Seiler (fnu), previously chief of this main administration, was released from his assignment. 2
- d. RBD Berlin, Reichsbahnamt S-Bahn (Office for elevated railroad system):
"Reichsbahnamt S-Bahn" was dissolved. Rudi Schramm, previously chief of this office, was released from his assignment. His employment at RBD Halle in connection with the electrification of railroad lines in the district of RBD Halle was suggested. 3

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Magdeburg	1,062	1,129	4	3
Halle	1,544	1,587	8	6
Erfurt	1,147	1,194	8	11
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Total	8,430	8,735	36	33

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